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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: J. VOGEL et al.

Confirmation No. 2836

Application No.: 10/029,294

Group Art Unit: 1615

Filed: December 28, 2001

Examiner: Humera N. SHEIKH

For: IMPLANTABLE PARTICLES FOR THE  
TREATMENT OF GASTROESOPHAGEAL  
REFLUX DISEASE (As Amended Herein)Attorney Docket No.: 9676-311-999  
(CAM: 405916-999-053)**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**Mail Stop AFTER FINAL  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for filing a response to the Final Office Action dated August 23, 2005 be extended for a period of one (1) month from November 23, 2005 to, and including, December 23, 2005.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$60, which reflects Applicants' Small Entity Status. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. If any additional fees are required to maintain the pendency of the application, please also charge to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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